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GERMANY WILLING TO MAKE PEACE

Notifies Diplomatic Envoys of United States, Spain and Switzerland to that Effect.

(Special to The Herald.) Berlin, via Sayville, Dec. 12.—Germany is willing to make peace. Chancellor Bethmann von Hollweg has notified the diplomatic envoys of the United States, Spain and Switzerland that the four nations comprising the German allies, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria are ready to enter into peace negotiations.

The governments of Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia have joined with Germany in the new peace proposals and are ready to join their allies for a world peace which will be permanent. The Reichstag will meet this afternoon to hear the proposals of the Chancellor, says a semi-official overseas news agency dispatch.

Received Representatives of Neutral Nations.

The Chancellor this morning received representatives of the United States, Spain and Switzerland, the nations which have been looking after the interests of Germany in the hostile countries, and submitted to them copies of his note to be delivered to his country's enemies. In the note the Central powers (Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria) propose to the Entente powers to which will bring about a world peace which will be lasting. The governments of Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia have transmitted a similar note to the Holy See and other powers.

U. S. Officials Ready to Act.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Central powers have started their first formal peace proposals and these will be presented to the Entente diplomats, it was learned here today. President Wilson has asked to make every effort to have the Allied nations go into an informal convention which it is hoped will lead to a formal convention for the drafting of peace terms.

Advance information has been received by Secretary Grew of the American Embassy at Berlin that the Portsmouth Herald contains all of the local and foreign news.

WORK FOR A RAILROAD

Ralph Badger, formerly of this city, who has for the past three years been located in California, is now employed on the Southern Pacific railroad as conductor.

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WILL RESTORE BELGIUM AND NORTH FRANCE

These Mentioned in Peace Outline Proposed by Germany, as Announced in Washington.

(Special to The Herald.) Washington, Dec. 12.—The first draft of the outline as proposed for the opening of peace relations between the Teutonic allies and their enemies, received here, today, from Secretary Grew of the American Embassy at Berlin, stated that three great questions were taken up, in the opening. Germany proposes to restore Belgium and Northern France as they were before the war broke out. The three important points mentioned in the dispatch are:

- 1st. That Poland and Lithuania shall be independent nations.
- 2d. That Germany will restore Belgium and Northern France.
- 3d. That the fighting in the Balkan states shall be settled by a peace convention to be called by all European nations.

TWO COAL BARGES LOST IN STORM

Third Barge When Last Seen Was Being Swept Towards Point Judith.

New London, Conn., Dec. 12.—Two coal barges in tow of the ocean tug DeWitt C. Irvin, coal laden and bound for Newport, broke adrift and foundered off Benton's Reef Lightship in a severe storm which swept the Sound early today. The third barge of the tow when last seen was being swept towards Point Judith. A man and woman, whose names are unknown, were taken off the barge Frank Maloney. The only occupant of the other barge, a man, was saved by his jumping on the tug. The tug put into Newport and will leave as soon as conditions are favorable to search for the other barge.

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PORTSMOUTH NAVAL PRISON TO BE ABOLISHED

Secretary of the Navy Recommends that it be Used for a Big Barracks.—W. L. Hill to be Made a Commander in the Navy.

Several days ago it was exclusively announced in The Herald that the naval prison on Seavey's Island would be abolished and used as a barracks.

On Monday before the House naval committee Secretary Daniels recommended the abolishment of the naval prison at Portsmouth, N. H., and the establishment there of a marine barracks for a thousand men.

He said that marine detachments from the naval academy, the Boston and New York navy yards and elsewhere would be concentrated at the new post, while the 168 prisoners would be sent to the prison ship Southery at Portsmouth. Mr. Daniels praised the services of Boatswain Hill, commanding the Southery, and approved a suggestion by Representative Roberts that he be made a commander in the navy by act of Congress.

Extension of facilities for enlisted men to enter the naval academy was urged by the secretary, but he disapproved the suggestion for early graduation of midshipmen to fill vacancies in the service. He intimated that he might ask later that the pay of all enlisted men on first enlistment be raised to encourage recruiting, but did not go into details.

He also advocated legislation which would compel steel companies and other private concerns to give preference to government orders for military supplies. He will submit a new section for the pending naval appropriation bill for this purpose in order to hasten battleship construction, which he declared was being delayed by commercial work both in the yards of private builders and in the steel plants.

Secretary Baker wrote Speaker Clark in response to a House resolution, that 71,834 out of the grand total of 163,800 national guardsmen taken into the federal service up to Aug. 31, were without previous military train-

TWO CHILDREN LOSE LIVES IN COTTAGE FIRE

Seven-Year-Old Girl Saved Life of Her Infant Sister at North Pelham.

(Special to The Herald.) North Pelham, Dec. 12.—Paul Edward, aged 6, and Graham, aged 6, children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, were burned to death in the bungalow home here today, when fire which started from the overturning of an oil lamp burned the building to the ground. The family had moved into the bungalow only the day before.

Ethel Sleeper, their seven-year-old daughter, managed to save the life of little Anna, a year old, but she was unable to help her two little brothers to escape.

THE WEATHER

Forecast for Portsmouth and vicinity—Tuesday rain or snow; Wednesday probably fair, colder, moderate to fresh shifting winds, becoming west Tuesday night.

Sun Rises 7.01
Sun Sets 4.12
Length of Day 9.05
High Tide 12.53 a.m., 12.58 p.m.
Moon Rises 7.09 p.m.
Light Automobile Lamps at 4.47 p.m.

GREEK KING IN COMMUNICATION WITH BERLIN

And Several Messages Have Been Intercepted by Allies' Warships.

(Special to The Herald.) London, Dec. 12.—Much significance is attached to the fact that King Constantine has established wireless communication with Berlin and several messages have been passed. Several of these were intercepted by the Allies' warships. Today was the date of a new ultimatum to the Greek government by the Allies.

UNIQUE MEMORIAL FOR DRAWBRIDGE VICTIM

Chillicothe, Dec. 12.—Employment of experts to devise plans for preventing similar accidents in the future is the unique memorial to Hugo J. Warner, who was one of four persons to lose their lives when his ear plunged through an open draw into the Chillicothe river.

Although the city was held to blame for the failing to have lights and signal gongs working, relatives of Warner will not ask damages or prosecutions. Instead they have hired engineers who will aid the city in drawing up regulations which will make such accidents impossible hereafter.

Read the Want Ads.

1916 CHRISTMAS CLUB

Distribution by
The Portsmouth Trust & Guarantee Co.

Will be made on Thursday, to 3000 members to the amount of \$75,000.

In announcing their 1917 Christmas Club they will turn on the lights illuminating a thirty-foot Christmas tree which has been erected on the roof of their building.

SIXTEEN WERE KILLED IN FRENCH REVOLT AMBASSADOR PAGE DOES NOT INTEND TO RESIGN

(Special to The Herald.)

Amsterdam, Dec. 12.—Sixteen were killed and a number seriously injured in Turcoing when the Germans attempted the deportation of a batch of 300 French civilians, according to

London, Dec. 12.—Close friends of W. H. Page, ambassador to England from the United States, declare that there is no foundation to the report that he contemplates resigning.

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE GRAFFORD CLUB Minna Tenney Peck will give an illustrated talk on "Art in Legend and Story," Dec. 13, at the Portsmouth Theatre. Admission 35 cents.

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NEW REVOLT REPORTED AGAINST CONSTANTINE

Greek King Makes Formal Protest Against Allied Blockade Which Will be Presented to the Powers Today

London, Dec. 11.—Telegrams received here today from Athens say that a revolution has broken out in Cyclades, a group of Greek islands in the Aegean sea.

Athens, Dec. 11.—King Constantine's government made formal protest to the allied powers today against continuance of the allies' blockade.

The latest reports from Athens say that the note of the entente governments to Greece is ready, and undoubtedly will be presented tomorrow. The note will be short, in the nature of a preliminary to a second note, which will contain more detailed demands.

It is indicated that the demands on Greece may require complete demobilization of the army, restoration of control by the entente over the posts, telegraphs and railways and the release of the imprisoned Venizelists.

Advices from the British minister indicate that conditions are more calm. Large numbers of allied nationals continue to leave Athens.

Intercept Greek King's Messages to Berlin

London, Dec. 11.—Allied forces have intercepted wireless messages showing attempts by King Constantine to communicate with Berlin, a Reuter's dispatch asserted today.

It is declared the ultimatum which the allies have served on the Greek King is very brief and probably demands complete demobilization of the Greek forces, restoration of a censorship, and control of all railways under allied hands.

London, Dec. 11.—The foreign office today stated that the British government was consulting with Great Britain's allies in an effort to reach a very radical solution of the Greek problem. **British Advance 60 Miles in East Africa.**

London, Dec. 11.—Successful British operations in German East Africa, by which the British line of investment was advanced 60 miles along a front of 200 miles, are described in a Reuter's dispatch from Niirgao. The advance was made from New Iringa and Kissa Ki to the coast. In the course of the operations a detached German corps, consisting of several white officers, 47 white soldiers and 240 native soldiers, was captured. A howitzer, three maxims

—A highly successful air raid on enemy aero stations at Belgena and batteries at Scuba was announced in the Austro-Hungarian official statement for Dec. 6, received here today.

Get Four German Airplanes.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Four German airplanes were brought down Sunday south of the Somme. There was intermittent cannonading yesterday in this section, the official statement announced today.

Slavs Repulse, Berlin Reports.

Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, Dec. 11.—Strong forces of Russians yesterday again attacked the Teuton troops to the north of Tartar pass. In the Carpathians, in the Bystrina section northeast of the Gyergy mountains, and on both sides of the Trotus valley in eastern Roumania, but without success, says today's German official statement.

Germans Explode Mines.

Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, Dec. 11.—Destruction of a "part of French positions" by extensive mine explosions at Butte Desmesnil, Champagne and Vauquois, in the Argonne, was reported in today's official statement.

On the east bank of the Meuse the statement said, German heavy cannon were active in firing against first line trenches and batteries of the enemy.

THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM.

From the ancient pier of Marvin Isle Past Kittery's happy shore Far out to sea my row boat glides With Barnaboo's "starboard oar."

Whale's Back Night we leave behind, Nor heed the fog-horn, tooting, And row away o'er the misty bay For Boar's Head, wild duck shooting.

Henry Clay is blithe and gay, A royal son of song— He flits with the sportive mermaids That follow our boat along.

Being hard pressed, by a submarine guest Henry launches "The Pinafire"— The mermaids confess, when thanks they express.

They had never heard Opera before. The sea nymphs tarry while Old Sol Illumines the ocean's verge,

Then say adieu to the "Rob Roy's crew But linger; loath to submerge,

Broad off Rye Ledge, we drop a kedge Into the mouth of a shark,

He tows us around the Haddock Ground And we have a jolly lark!

Soon Old Boreas gets up roar, And we reef the starboard oar— Our anchor we weigh for home far away Nor nor' West from Appledore.

The wind and waves, like saucy knaves Sweep the Rob Roy, fore and aft, The sea rolls higher, but we "never tire"

Or pulling to save our craft.

Oh, what a plight we are in to-night, Out in Northwesterly squalls— The tempest roars, the rain downpours And the fog-horn hoarsely bawls!

Naught can we see, to weather or lee But foam capped combers, coming, While overhead, O, sound of dread, We hear wild波浪 drumming.

A roaring, foaming breaker high, Charges fiercely o'er our quarter, Burles our lea rai a fathom deep Under a chaos of water.

Close to Kitt's Rock a thunderous shock Carries both ears awry!

Without ears or tails 'gainst a frantic gale How can we make headway?

The Sheriff of Nottingham, cast as a giant Sits on the cockpit tank, Steps his cork leg through the rudder port And motors to Strawberry Bank.

Thus ends a day of adventurous play For Henry and for Tom, who Stoutly maintain that never again Will they get "out of Port" in a storm.

—THOMAS E. O. MARVIN
Grove Hall, Roxbury, Mass.
Nov. 14, 1916.

By THOMAS CUFFIN, Auctioneer.

U. S. LOANS PICTURES TO POULTRY ASSOCIATION

Through the courtesy of the United States Department of Agriculture what is probably the most instructive motion picture that has been shown in this section of the country will be projected nightly at the Annual Portsmouth Poultry show which opens in Pierce Hall on Wednesday evening.

The government spent thousands of dollars in making these pictures and they are being loaned to recognized poultry associations for the education and instruction of those interested in the value of the business to the farmer

the business, in the efforts to increase These pictures show plainly the correct methods of handling poultry to obtain the best results and a large part is devoted to the incubation of the eggs by the means of incubators. The pictures take the eggs from the time it is taken from the nest and by means of the X-ray the development of the chicken in the egg is shown from day to day until the twenty-first day when the chick is hatched.

The correct method of handling the brooder is also shown and the proper care of the chicken until it has reached maturity is pictured so as to be easily understood. The United States government has expended large sums through the Department of Agriculture, in the study of the poultry in-

industry and the experiments, with their results, will be a big feature of this year's show.

The Portsmouth Poultry Association has completed their arrangements in their efforts to make the 1916 show a greater success than that of last year, and many improvements have been made. It will be a "daylight" show, with the judging of the birds done in the day time rather than at night as was the method last year. The hall has been chosen to allow for a more advantageous plan of arranging the coops and the coops are of the latest model, open on all four sides to allow the closest inspection.

In addition to the poultry display there will be a department for the exhibition of dogs, cats, and other pets,

one of the features which made last season's show a big success. A number of booths for the display of materials

necessary to the successful raising of poultry have been erected and the officials report a far greater number of entries than at their first show.

The management has sent an invitation to Mr. C. C. Smith of Wilton, N. H., the champion chicken keeper of the state, and Mr. Smith will attend the show on Saturday evening if it is the intention of the management to have Mr. Smith give an exhibition of his work that evening if he will consent to do so.

ed-through the practice of thrift, word of the thrift campaign being

widely known in the United States is prodigious. For example we waste

\$650,000,000 a year through losses to

growing crops, grain in storage, fruit trees, etc., by insects whose depredations could be greatly lessened by

careful methods of agriculture.

"We waste \$2,000,000 a year in the manufacture of coke, in lost gases;

\$500,000,000 a year in soft iron;

\$238,000,000 a year through floods and

floods, which could be very largely

prevented by proper engineering. We waste \$40,000 a year in the careless

handling of eggs, and so it goes. It is

predicted that within the next five years

thrift will be taught in the public schools of America, just as is geography and arithmetic."

The secretary of the American Society for Thrift declare that even though thrift is not now officially taught in our schools, teachers all

over the country are willing for information on the subject that they may disseminate it to their pupils.

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CHIEF HURLEY LEAVES FOR BUFFALO.

Chief of Police Hurley left Portsmouth last evening for Boston, enroute for Buffalo. He will be joined in Boston by Sheriff Spinney and the two officers will make the trip to the New York city together. They are armed with warrants and extradition papers for the arrest and return to this city of Carl Applebee, wanted on a charge of violating the Mann Act, and for the desecration of his wife and child. It is probable that they will return with their prisoner by Saturday evening.

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FOR PORTSMOUTH AND PORTSMOUTH'S INTERESTS

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Portsmouth, N. H., Tuesday, December 12, 1916.

The Municipal Battle Is Over—Now Join The Herald in a Campaign of Boosting.

This is municipal election day and Democrats and Republicans are hard at it with the usual result of bitter words and more discussions. On election day there is a waste of money by both parties and this comes from the same men of both parties every year. The Herald has advocated a non-partisan city government for some time in the interest of a united Portsmouth and it hopes to see it tried here. Non-partisan city management is sweeping the country and in hundreds of cities the "city manager" is the head. We hope that Portsmouth will soon join these progressive movements and then will there be less pulling and hauling and men can get together in a true spirit of general interest for the welfare of the community. With state and national elections there will be opportunity enough to keep the politician active. By the time The Herald reaches you the local battle will be over and now let us all resolve to forget party differences and stand behind the winners for a bigger, busier and better Portsmouth. Let every voter decide to support the winners in an effort to give us an honest and efficient administration. Our navy yard is an institution without political color and every man there should resent any effort to rule him in the exercise of his rights. The navy yard's progress will depend upon the support of all citizens and it can best be done without political color or creed. Join The Herald in boosting and let's back up the men who are laboring in the best interest of Portsmouth. We can make things boom if everybody will push.

A New York paper attempts to convey the idea that poultry loses its flavor by being kept for a length of time in cold storage. But it is to be noticed that there is a pretty good demand for it so long as the price is not prohibitive. The cold storage business is all right and a good thing when properly conducted and not used as a means of cornering the markets. When it comes to that it is time for the authorities to step in. The cry of sour grapes will not correct the abuses that are believed to exist.

The new postal appropriation bill provides for one-cent postage on local matter, with increases on certain other mail matter sent to all parts of the country. For many years one cent was the postage on drop letters, so called, and a return to that rate would be welcomed, yet the matter is not the most pressing before the country. The cost of postage is a small matter, compared with the cost of other necessities at this time.

Shipping Christmas greens to the cities is now a rushing business in many rural sections and it is a business that yields large satisfaction at both ends of the line. The trees and vines add much to the holiday happiness of the city children, and the money received for these products of the forest carries comfort and happiness into hundreds of country homes.

Government reports show that it cost to stamp out the foot and mouth disease among cattle the immense sum of \$9,000,000, and it is felt that the work was worth far more than the cost. It is no wonder that the recent report of a new outbreak caused alarm, but, fortunately, the report was unfounded, for which there is reason to be profoundly grateful.

The farmers have secured control of the North Dakota legislature, having 81 of the 113 members of the lower house and a majority of the senators elected this year. If this condition could be brought about in other states perhaps it might check the rush of boys from the farms.

Great is woman's suffrage in Oregon, where in a recent city election a man who was running for mayor was defeated by his wife. However, the office is kept in the family, and that should be worth something. The mayor might employ her husband as her private secretary.

Madison Square Garden in New York, which has not been a paying investment for some time, has changed ownership. And the fact that it brought \$2,000,000 at auction shows that it is not an entirely worthless piece of property.

Railroad embargoes on foodstuffs are said to be lowering prices in the West, but how will that sort of thing affect the eastern part of the country? The cry for an embargo doesn't mean that kind of curtailment.

Jitney is the name now being applied to drivers of jitney cars. It is to be hoped they will conduct their business in a way to keep the name from being changed to murdeur.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Can It Be Proved?
(From the Boston Record)
We noticed that the Rye, N. H., Democrats recently held a celebration, but it appeared that most of those present were Bourbon Democrats.

Hope.
(From the Springfield Republican)
Germany is turning back the hands of the clock, and it may be hoped that a realization of the intense feeling caused in neutral countries may move it to reconsider its action.

America's Fountain of Food
(From the New York Times)....
Perhaps the Sioux Falls Press is indiscreet in divulging a fact the publication of which may bring a multitude of immigrants into South Dakota and turn to lead the golden fortune and felicity there abounding.

For 50 cents a fairly good meal can be obtained at any first-class American plan hotel in this part of the country.

"A fairly good meal" is a phrase wherein the rare art of understatement shines. They are robust eaters, the South Dakotans. They are healthier than health, children of the open, lusty trencherman. A South Dakota fairly good meal must be enough for at least two and a half sedentary Easterners. Fifty cents is not even a fairly good tip after a sparing meal in some less favored regions. South Dakota is a part of that great agricultural realm which the late Colonel Pat Donnan loved to call the Banana Belt. If it is little euphemistic in regard to climate, the name befits a land of plenty. Land of cheapness in a continent that starves and sweats at the cost of its providers. South Dakota deserves veneration and will get envy. An island that will be flooded all too soon.

Falls to Canada's Lot
(From the New York Sun)

The Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker, has told the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the American Falls of Niagara Falls is likely to disappear if the present volume of water is allowed to continue over the Canadian or Horseshoe Falls.

The American Falls carry less than a per cent of the entire flow. The Horse Shoe Fall, measured along the curving edge, are nearly three times as wide. The Horseshoe to a horseshoe has been split by erosion, which seems, for the last two hundred years, to have been proceeding at about the rate of five feet a year and has taken place most noticeably in the centre of the falls. The edge of the American Falls is receding at a much slower pace, from two and a half to seven and a half inches a year, it is estimated. As the Canadian Falls drop more rapidly back toward Lake Erie they tend to receive a larger and larger share of the river's volume.

It is a perplexing problem to know what to do. Nature is playing into Canada's hands. That country already controls most of the show. We can hardly expect her materially to impair the beauty of her falls merely to prevent our own from dwindling to insignificance.

Liable to Lose Something
(From the Charleston News and Courier)

If Constantine loses his head in this crisis he is very apt to lose his crown at the same time.

The Hustling Japanese

(From the Cincinnati Times-Star)....
The quick-witted Japanese do not intend to be caught by another tycoon. Under the patronage of the Government a four-million-dollar company has been organized to manufacture synthetic dyes. Japanese dispatches state that such has been the financial rehabilitation of that country that the stock for this dye company has been over-subscribed several hundred per cent.

The Japanese Government has granted special subsidies to this and kindred concerns and it is likely that Japanese dye-stuffs will ultimately come upon our market. What a queer twist of events it would be if the Yankees of the East should beat the Yankees of the West in the race to capture the German dye trade. We are increasing our speed in the contest, but footsteps of an unexpected competitor may be heard coming up behind us.

The Hand and Fist of Desolation
(From the New York World)

The report that Germany has agreed that Turkey is to share liberally in the fruits taken in Roumania may well be true. A power that approved and defended the things done in Armenia will hardly hesitate to give its august ally a free rein north of the Danube, where its own ideas of vengeance do not quite harmonize with its professions of Kultur.

Asleep at the Coal Bin

(From the Philadelphia Public Ledger)....
To most Americans it will come as a shock to learn that our own trade with the Philippines is largely dependent upon British coal-tar stations. Now that England needs all its own fuel, it has decreed that independent shipping will henceforth get none. Here is another example of the shiftless work of our Government. Congress laggards in the monthly over-pork-barrel appropriations and neglects a primary business monopoly such as coal-tar stations for our own ships. What would be said of a railroad that forever kept its fuel

CURRENT OPINION

United States' New Monetary System Able to Meet Post War Financial Problem.

We are forced to ask ourselves to what extent America, with its high standard of wages, its short hours of labor and its restrictions upon speed, output and efficiency, its labor union domination of legislatures and public executives, can compete successfully with Europe, purged as by fire of every thing tending to inefficiency and courageously resolved to recreate what has been destroyed, to regain and augment the industrial position which temporary folly has imperiled.

We should then be invited to an economic struggle which would be lost unless the highest American statesmanship should be fearlessly devoted to the task of freeing domestic industry from its shackles.

The peril of sudden unemployment of capital and labor when peace ends the unprecedented demand upon our industries may be counteracted partially by the devotion of this country to the strengthening of its own defenses.

The chief financial problem of the aftermath will be the necessity of continuing the assumed obligation of absorbing foreign loans, causing intensified world demands on capital and making more difficult the meeting of recurring and increasing domestic needs for money.

It is most fortunate in the face of such financial problems that the United States has reorganized its monetary system; that it has created the federal reserve board with broad powers and lofty prestige, competent to investigate and to contrive expedients and remedies, ready to advise legislators and leaders of finance, so equipped with the garments of reason and the voice of authority that its advice is likely to be heeded.—By L. F. Loree, President Delaware and Hudson Railroad.

Supply in the hands of a competitor who might stop the supply any day it flatters pure and simple; absolutely, they have stood to gain in some measure, though not in full measure along with the nation as a whole.

Steel Worth Stealing
(From the Iron Trade Review)

Back to the fourteenth century, pots and pans were listed among the crown jewels of Edward III. If the sheet market continues to soar, housewives will be renting safety deposit vaults for their kitchen utensils.

The Ape in Human Nature
(From the Christian Register)

The possibilities of social discord are many and sometimes ominous. We are very far from that happy state of being when the lion and the lamb lie down together. Tennyson told the happy time when the ape and the lion in us would die; but the time has not yet come. Some of the most discordant elements in the human problem are connected with the ape. We even keep a word in common that suggests something more than harmless vanity. We speak of those who "ape" the manners and fashions of another class of person; these are they who strive to climb the social ladder at the expense of those below, who do not mind what happens to other persons or classes so that they "get there." Every man who takes gain that he has not honestly won throws one element of discord into the setting so central in life. Every woman who looks upon another woman as honest and intelligent as herself, with scorn or an air of lofty superiority adds an ounce to the tension between classes. Nothing can save us from upheavals of the fabric of civilization but a spirit of general humanity infused into the relations of all sorts and conditions of men.

Prices and Wages

(From the New York Evening Post)....
This nation is somewhat widely curious that the raising of wages in a period of rising prices simply keeps up the action of a vicious economic circle, that you make wages higher to meet the high prices and that then you have to make the prices still higher to meet the high wages. In some particular instances, the higher wages do cause the raising of prices; but broadly speaking the idea is quite false. The process is one of readjustment to a new scale of prices; those who carry on various business enterprises reap an abnormal profit through the rise of prices, and when they have yielded up some of this to the workers, things have simply gone back to a condition of equilibrium. When wages are raised in the steel industry for example, in such conditions as exist today, that is not the least a factor tending to raise prices; it merely affects the distribution of the surplus over normal returns, which existing prices yield.

The process that we see going on all around us is that which economists

have always so strongly insisted on as the course of events that must inevitably follow a cheapening of the money standard. The lowering of the standard with which they have been most concerned in their outgoings, is one caused by a deliberate debasement of the currency, such as that contemplated in paper-money agitations or in the free-silver crusade of twenty years ago. Such debasement means low value for the monetary unit, which sounds attractive to the man with debts to pay off, and high prices for staple products, which looks good to the farmer.

What the economists insisted on, however, was that while prices would rise promptly, wages would lag behind and in the interval of catching up there would be much suffering among the working classes. In the present instance, it would be noted, with the rise of prices produced not by legislation, but by natural causes, this same backwardness in the rise of wages as compared with prices has been shown, but as to the general condition of the people of this country, there has been a very slight difference. A mere change in the monetary basis, pure and simple, introduces new wealth to be distributed among the people as a whole; it takes from one what it gives to another. What we have had in this country during the war years has been a tremendous increase in the cost of living.

That England needs all its own fuel, it has decreed that independent shipping will henceforth get none. Here is another example of the shiftless work of our Government. Congress laggards in the monthly over-pork-barrel appropriations and neglects a primary business

monopoly such as coal-tar stations for our own ships. What would be said of a railroad that forever kept its fuel

at the coal bin?

Is the Truth Coming Out?
(From the Philadelphia Telegraph)

The statement of Secretary McAdoo in his annual report, that there is

quite likely to be a vast deficit in the

United States Treasury in 1915 seems

to bear out the declaration that many

Republican orators made on the stump

during the campaign just closed.

Remember Those Sparking Days?

(From the Fort Worth Star-Telegram)

Cold weather carries some married men back to their sparkling days, and a real wickeder one sometimes will sit before the fire and forget that he has a wife and children.

Once more he will make his arrangements to go to a dance at a ranch several miles in the country, and in his dream he is fortunate to get the back seat in the back. Finally he is on his way, and beside him sits a pretty girl, who, we regret to say, is not his wife.

She sits at one end of the seat, he sits in the middle, and nobody sits on the other end. He leans his head a little to the left, which devility, fortunately, she does not notice.

He fears her hands are cold, and he takes one of them in his. He talks to her real low, but she is afraid those on the front seat will hear. Again he leans his head toward hers—this time a little further than before—and she moves her hair away from his. His talk to her is not understood that her hair is fixed for the dance, and that she doesn't want it mussed up, even by her best follow. Then he sees the light in the ranch house, and a few minutes later he hears the sweet notes of "Sally Goodin."

When the house is reached he helps her out of the back in a manner which would lead one to believe that she is entirely helpless—being more than a child in one arm and a bundle in the other. As he goes up the trail, from the gate he holds the girl if someone were trying to pull her away from him and just as he enters the door he comes to him self.

There sits his wife by his side. She has been working buttonholes in one

of daughter's dresses. When she asks

him what he has been thinking about the old wretch says:

"I was just thinking if we don't cut down expenses I never in this world will get out of debt."

A Matter of Mates and Beams

(From the Topeka State Journal)

How can a government that cannot save its own citizens from being murdered save citizens of another country from being enslaved?

NAVY YARD NOTES

Navy Orders.

Capt. K. L. Beach, to naval hospital, Philadelphia; sick; Comdr. H. McLean, Judge advocate general, navy department, Washington, to command the Columbia, and additional duty as chief of staff, submarine force, Atlantic fleet; Jr. Lt. C. H. McMorris, the Enderle, to Mare Island yard fitting out the Shaw and on board when commissioned; P. A. Surgs. W. J. Zalesky, recruiting station, Brooklyn, N. Y., to naval hospital, New York; T. W. Ralston, naval hospital, Great Lakes, Ill., to marine expeditionary force, Santo Domingo; H. P. Lawrence, naval hospital, New York, to marine expeditionary force, Santo Domingo; P. M. Castle, marine brigadier, Port of Prince, Hayti, to white orders; W. G. Darwell, to navy recruiting station, Brooklyn; Ass't Surgs. A. C. Smith, to naval hospital, New York; L. N. Clerf, to naval hospital, Great Lakes, Ill.; M. T. Clemons, to marine barracks, Port Royal, S. C.; P. A. Paymaster D. B. Wightwright, Norfolk yard, Dec. 15, to the Melville, in charge of accounts of destroyers; Chief Gunner L. M. Wegener, to the Minnesota, to the Arkansas; Machinists A. J. Seaman, receiving ship on Norfolk, to the Neptune; M. Davis, to Panama canal; Chief Carpenter H. E. Cooper, Charleston, S. C., yard, to the Louisiana; Carpenter L. T. Herrmann, the Louisiana, to Charleston yard; Pay Clerk M. J. Stubbs, Norfolk yard, to the Charles-

WAR STOCKS DROP WITH PEACE TALK

Decline in Copper and Steel on the New York Exchange When News Arrives of Germany's Offer.

(Special to The Herald)

New York, Dec. 12.—News that Germany is offering to discuss terms of peace with the Allied Powers created the wildest excitement on the stock exchange here today and started a selling in the steel and copper stocks, principally in the steel and copper stocks, which caused a rapid dropping off in prices. Copper and steel led the decline but a general recession caused the drop to be checked. Soon after the news was announced on the street and in the exchange a drop of from 1 to 4 points was recorded.

Indications are that many of these stocks will drop rapidly, and other stocks stocks will follow. No thoughts or panic are held by the brokers.

to be arranged, will contain miscellaneous issues. A fourth volume will contain currency issues of United States currency, which have been excluded from the first volume. A fifth volume probably will be used to display the currency issue and to be issued under the federal reserve system.

The pages of these volumes consist of two large sheets of pliable transparency, between which the notes are inserted, two to a page, showing obverse and reverse of the currency. The conditions are preservative, and the safety of the volume is insured by their being kept in the cashier's vault of the treasury;

Volume No. One includes notes to a face value of \$10,820,57. These represent United States currency from 1861 when the United States withdrew the privilege of making paper currency from banks and undertook the task. In this exhibit are interest-bearing notes with coupons attached, the greenback issues and a nearly complete file up to the current issues. Some of these

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OBITUARY.

Jesse Edwin Frisbee.
Died in Dover, N. H., Dec. 11th.
Jesse Edwin Frisbee, aged 79 years, 8 months, 18 days.

Funeral services will be held from the Free Baptist church, Kittery Point, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Rev. Isaias P. Smith

Rev. Isaias P. Smith, a retired clergyman and author, died on Monday at his home, 116 East street, Methuen, of bronchial pneumonia. Mr. Smith was born in North Bridgton, Me., Feb. 13, 1833. He was graduated from Bowdoin college in 1858 and from the Bangor Theological seminary in 1861. After serving a short time as principal of Linton seminary and Lewiston High school he enlisted in the Civil war as chaplain of the 29th Maine Regiment.

Returning home, he held pastorate in several states, ranging from Omaha, Neb., to Dover, N. H. From 1880 he was successively principal of Burgess Institute, Waterbury, Conn.; the Eaton, N. H., school; professor of German and Greek in Shenandoah college, Virginia, and later president of that institution. He then retired, except for a year, 1911-1912, when he was pastor of the Congregational church in Newington.

He translated Virgil's Eclogues into English hexameter verse, and the volume was adopted for use in the Latin classes of Yale.

He leaves his wife, who was Clara R. Smith of Caledon, N. H.; three sons, Percy D. Smith and Bradford E. Smith of Lawrence, and Charles Chaplin Smith of this city, formerly private secretary to William Jennings Bryan.

William Stevens.

William Stevens, a veteran of the Civil war, died at his home No. 117 Maplewood avenue, on Tuesday morning, aged 81 years, 9 months and 3 days.

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"horrors," the figures perform "stunts" which are the marvel of the country-side and of hundreds of automobile tourists.

One of the chief attractions, especially to the little folks, is a miniature ferris wheel whose cars are filled with wooden doll figures of various kinds. At the entrance of the enclosure which surrounds the collection stands the figure of a wooden mannikin, who, without ceasing, taps a cowbell with one hand. This attracts attention to the collection from the road several rods away.

A box, securely padlocked, with a slot for the collection of small change which the visitors may choose to contribute, has gathered in a sum sum for the creator of the odd attraction.

A "register" near the entrance contains the names signed by several thousand visitors. Cox says the show advertises itself, requiring no press agent, and the power costs nothing, so the receipts are all "velvet."

ELECTROCUTED AT POWER PLANT

Concord, Dec. 12.—Fred Rollins, a local painter, was electrocuted yesterday afternoon while at work at his trade in the Garvin Falls generating plant of the Manchester Traction Light and Power Company. Although there were others in the sub station where Mr. Rollins was at work, no one saw how the accident happened, the first the men knew of the fatality being when a sizzling sound was heard and the painter was seen suspended on the high tension wires. The power was immediately thrown off and the body fell to the ground, a distance of about 10 feet. Death, it is believed came instantly when the body came in contact with the wires. The voltage passing through the wires is given as 35,000.

Upon a thorough examination of the premises following the accident, it was found that there were black marks on a steel girder near a network of wires and the theory is advanced that to enable him to better reach an upright timber Mr. Rollins had climbed on the girder and must have straddled it. The measured distance shows that in that straddling position there was a wire of high voltage passing not far from his feet and another wire parallel with the girder at a few feet distant. It is thought possible that in some way, by sudden weakness or loss of balance, he reached out and came in contact with the wire.

Mr. Rollins was born in Meriden, Oct. 3, 1854, but had been a resident of this city for about 22 years, coming here from Portsmouth to start in business as a painter. He was well known and was a member of a few fraternal orders. Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Robert Fletcher and Miss Amy Rollins, the latter being a stenographer in the office of the state highway commissioner; and two sons who live in the West.

AGE LIMITS FOR HUNTING

With the general adoption of the license system has come the necessity of fixing a minimum age at which licenses may be issued. The practice is by no means uniform, but about half of the states have restrictions of some sort. These restrictions are of three general kinds:

(1) Exemption from the hunting license requirement for children;

(2) Refusal to issue licenses to children; and

(3) Requirement that children must have the written consent of the parent or guardian to obtain a license.

Children under 12 are not required to have a license in Idaho or Utah; under 14 in Montana, Nevada, Oklahoma or Oregon; under 17 (hunting small game) in Michigan; under 21 (hunting small game) in Minnesota. Children under 13 in New Hampshire and Nebraska and under 17 in Arizona do not require a license when hunting with a licensed adult.

New Jersey prohibits children under 16 from hunting with firearms, but upon application of parent or guardian issues a \$1 license to citizens of the United States between the ages of 10 and 14, provided they hunt in company with a licensed adult.

Pennsylvania also prohibits children under 14 from hunting, but issues licenses to minors between the ages of 14 and 16 upon application of parent or guardian.

Licenses are not issued to children under certain ages, or only upon written consent of the parent or guardian in the following states:

Not issued under certain ages: Age

New Jersey 10

Pennsylvania 11

Wyoming (for birds) 14

Wyoming (big game) 15

Rhode Island 16

Wisconsin 15

Connecticut 16

New Brunswick (big game) 14

Written consent required: Age

Indiana 14

West Virginia 15

Pennsylvania 14 to 16

Ohio 15

Vermont 16

British Columbia 16

Saskatchewan 18

Iowa 18

New Hampshire 18

CHIHUAHUA CITY CUT OFF BY VILLISTAS

Exodus From State Capital Continues, Residents Fear- ing Another Attack.

(Special to The Herald)

El Paso, Dec. 12.—Chihuahua City is cut off from all communication north and south and is at the mercy of Pancho Villa. The bandit forces are encamped between Chihuahua City and San Rosalia and are estimated at 10,000 in numbers. It is reported that they are moving again in the direction of the capital. The exodus from the capital continues, the residents fearing another attack. Refugees arriving here today say that Gen. Mier-
garza is unable to get reinforcements or ammunition and his position is precarious. A rancher who arrived here states that Villa lost 200 killed and 300 were injured. Villa has established a field hospital at Guanero where 300 men are under treatment for their wounds.

CONGRESS ASKED TO REWARD CAPT. HILL

Secretary of Navy Daniels Would Have Him Made a Commander.

Portsmouth hopes that Congress will bestow the rank of commander upon Chief Boatman W. L. Hill, U. S. N., as suggested and recommended by Secretary of the Navy Daniels, as told in our dispatches today. He has performed the duties of that rank for many years and has more than once been commended for bravery and commendable for his efficiency. Captain Hill has a spotless record and is known throughout the service.

PERSONAL, PICKUPS

Mrs. E. M. Jewett spent Tuesday in Boston.

Mrs. Harry Hilton passed Monday in Boston.

Willard E. Paul passed Monday in Boston on business.

Mrs. Martha S. Hill of Elliot was a visitor here on Tuesday.

Charles E. Trafton was a business visitor in Boston on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Brown have returned from their wedding trip.

Mrs. Arthur H. Locke of South street is the guest of relatives in Penobscot.

Mrs. Martin Tilley is attending the State Grange meeting in Manchester this week.

Mrs. Julia A. Chase, master of the local Grange, is attending the convention in Manchester.

Mrs. Marion McIntire has been filling the position of organist at the Universalist church.

Mrs. Annie Penney and daughter Jessie of Vaughan street, are passing the week in Boston with friends.

Thomas Muller of Arlington Heights, a former resident, was here on Tuesday renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. Ralph Badger and daughter Phyllis left on Monday for Pasadena, California, where they will reside for the present.

Mrs. Thomas F. Rose of Pelice Island is spending the holiday season with her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Kocher of New York City.

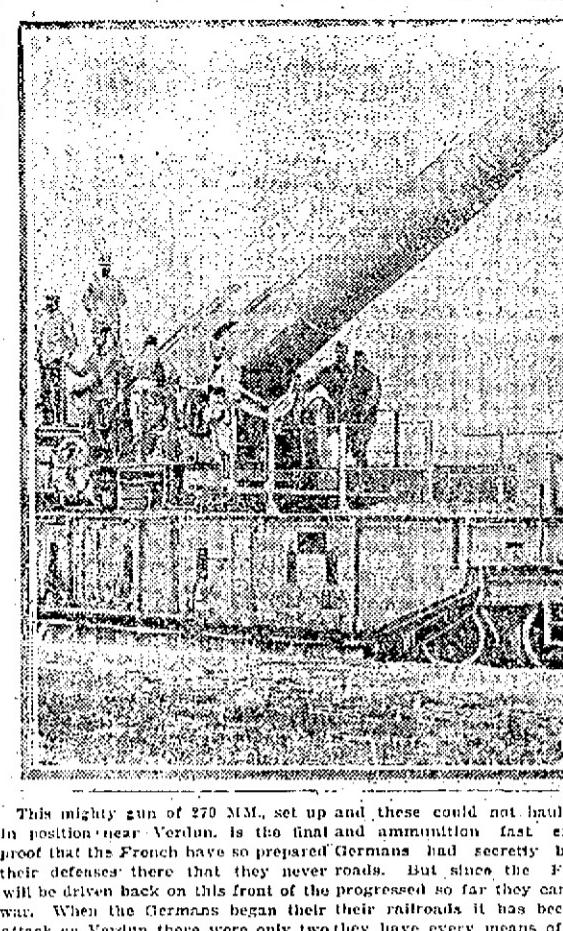
J. Edward Pickering was in Boston Tuesday to accompany Mrs. Pickering from Corey Hill hospital to McBleach, Mass., where she will remain several weeks under Dr. Goldthwaite.

H. J. Stander, formerly of the High school staff, now located in Chicago as a chemist, passed the week end here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Paterson of Lincoln avenue. He calls on Friday of this week for a six months' visit to his old home in Catopetown, South Africa.

CHRISTMAS TREE ON THE ROOF

The Portsmouth Trust and Guaranty Company has placed a 30-foot Christmas tree on the roof of the bank building, which will be lighted just an announcement for the distribution of the money for the Christmas day gift club on Thursday amounting to \$50,000.

GREATEST FRENCH GUN AT VERDUN NOW SHOOTS FROM A RAILROAD TRUCK CAR



This mighty gun of 270 MM., set up and these could not haul in supplies in position near Verdun, is the first and ammunition fast enough. The proof that the French have so prepared Germans had secretly built sixteen their defenses there that they never roads. But since the French have will be driven back on this front of the progress so far they can shoot from war. When the Germans began their their railroads it has become evident attack on Verdun there were only two they have every means of transport. French railroads running into the town, etc.

international activities, have volunteered their services and preparations will be carried out on an elaborate scale.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 12.—This city, the "home of independence," will hold a great sesquicentennial during the year 1924, in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

A series of expositions and fairs will be held during the next ten years, through which it is planned to attract nation-wide attention to the mid-city culminating in 1924. All of this city's representative citizens, identified with its social, industrial and edu-

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WOOD THE TAILOR

MISSING BROKER WANTED ON EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

Disappearance of Guilfoyle of Manchester Has Been Put Into the Hands of the Police Department

Manchester, Dec. 11.—Up to a late hour this afternoon the police have been unable to get any trace of Joseph J. Guilfoyle, senior partner of the firm of Guilfoyle & Sullivan, who disappeared from this city last Thursday, charged with the embezzlement of a large amount of the funds of the creditors.

The police of other cities have been notified and every attempt is being made to apprehend Guilfoyle. The police of this city were aware Friday night that Guilfoyle was not at his home but took no action in regard to his alleged disappearance until formal complaint was made to Captain Hampton late Saturday night by the loser of \$400. Yesterday other complaints were then made to Chief Healy.

The names of the complainants are not given out at police headquarters but it is understood that they include several men who are important figures in the city's business and official life and numerous women of prominence.

Dr. E. A. Turgeon, who is one of the heaviest losers, and Attorney Frederick W. Branch upon learning of the disappearance of Guilfoyle, left immediately for New York to consult with Robert Latham, a member of the Consolidated Exchange of New York, for which Guilfoyle & Sullivan acted as the Manchester representatives.

The greatest confidence in James F. Sullivan, Guilfoyle's partner, is expressed by the creditors of the firm, who met at the Kenward yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in an attempt to gain some information concerning the affairs of the company. At this meeting Mr. Sullivan submitted a proposition to the creditors which was at once accepted. The proposition provided for the immediate payment of a considerable portion of the amount due the creditors and for later settlement in full. The creditors not only agreed to accept these terms but notified Mr. Sullivan that they would continue to carry their accounts through his agency.

Because of the tangled state of affairs it is impossible to state with ac-

curacy the exact extent of the losses but it is reported that the amount will be nearly \$40,000, ranging all the way from quite insignificant sums to amounts in the thousands. Difficulty in ascertaining the exact extent of the losses is caused by the disappearance of the day book, which recorded the transactions of the firm.

Guilfoyle had full charge of the books, signing all the checks and making all the bank deposits. Sullivan ran the ticker, the board, executed orders, and made the entries in the day book. Because of the disappearance of the day book, coincident with that of Guilfoyle, in order to get an accurate estimate of the amount of the losses it has been necessary to request of the New York correspondents a detailed statement of all entries. Meanwhile numerous people who have been dealing on the exchange through this firm are endeavoring to find out whether or not their orders have been filled.

One of the most striking features of the whole affair is the faith the creditors have in Mr. Sullivan. One of the principal creditors said yesterday, "You can't say too much about Sullivan, and I might add personally that every trader with whom I have talked has declared his intention of helping him, the creditors seem to be unanimous in the expression of their confidence in Mr. Sullivan, who, while standing to lose heavily, is making every effort to make good the losses of those who have dealt through his firm. Mr. Sullivan declares that no one shall lose a dollar, which statement is supported by the terms of the proposition for settlement which was accepted at yesterday's meeting of the creditors. It is stated, also, that several prominent men, financially, have signified their intention of coming to the aid of the junior partner.

Guilfoyle was about the office Thursday as usual, but no word of him has been received since Thursday night. A check for several thousand dollars was due to one of the clients in settlement of a claim. But on Friday neither Guilfoyle nor check put in an appearance

Says Many Jews Will Come Here After the War



DR. S. M. MELAMED

Dr. S. M. Melamed, publisher of the American Jewish Chronicle, says thousands on thousands of Jews will seek the United States after the war. He has received this cable from The Hague:

"The German government has finally given permission to many classes of the Jewish population of the conquered territories in the east to leave for America. In consequence an emigration movement has set in which may assume great proportions in a very short time."

The snow was not a welcome visitor even if it is reasonable.

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BERLIN CALLS GREEK CAPTIVES PRO-GERMAN

Berlin, Dec. 12.—The Greek troops who surrendered to the forces of Field Marshal von Mackensen, in Kavalla, Serres and Drama some time ago and were brought to Goeritz, are enjoying their sojourn in Germany greatly. As they are not treated as prisoners of war, they retain their arms and can leave their barracks at will to mingle with the population of the city.

All of the Greek "guests," the men as well as the officers, are pro-German and hope that their country may yet enter the war on the side of the Central allies. In this case, they want to fight for their king with the German troops in Macedonia and they keep themselves in trim by drilling at least five hours daily.

FARMERS TAKE TO WOODS FOR XMAS TREES

DEMAND FOR CHRISTMAS GREEN
ERY PROVIDES PROFITABLE
OCCUPATION FOR MANY.

To provide the annual Christmas tree supply for Boston, Worcester, Springfield and other metropolitan centers, as well as for more distant markets in New York and Philadelphia, hundreds of farmers in this state have gone into the woods, and daily shipments are being made in large quantities.

It is estimated that 500,000 trees will be shipped from the old Granite State alone, with probably half as many in Maine and 200,000 from Vermont, with smaller quantities from wooded sections of Massachusetts.

The Christmas tree market has grown enormously within the past 10 years, and each season notes an additional demand so that farmers are kept busy at remunerative employment at a season when work on the farm is inclined to be dull.

Rival Lumber Industry

The industry is now a close rival of lumbering and logging, but the trade requires both careful judgment and precision in selecting only trees suited to the market. A tree in order to be marketable must be symmetrical regardless of all other assets, for a scrubby, ungainly spruce or fir is passed by in the metropolitan markets. There is a demand for all sizes, and now that artificial Christmas trees are popular in many cities, the biggest hemlocks may be turned into money, these being formerly unmarketable owing to their size. For the average family tree, one from five to 10 feet is most in demand, while for church and Sunday school use a tree varying from 10 to 20 feet is usually desired.

Even very tiny trees find a ready sale and these are used mainly in hospitals, primary schools, and for occasional family use where the parents dress a tree for the baby of the family.

A Warner farmer received a large order this week from one of the church societies on Fifth avenue, New York, and many other farmers make a practice of regularly supplying the same customers year after year.

J. B. Toiles of Grafton county has furnished a tree for the Park Street Church, Boston, for a number of years; he also supplies one of the Manchester churches with the yearly Christmas greens, and has built up a big trade in different parts of New England.

While spruces were long desired and used solely for Christmas trees, the hemlock is now a favorite, and this season thousands of hemlocks will be sent in different parts of the state.

The branches of the larger trees are carefully tied to keep them from being damaged in shipping and the smaller trees are done up in bundles of from 10 to a dozen or 15 each. Some are being shipped now, but the majority of the local dealers will wait another week before hauling them to the railway stations. A good tree commands \$10 or even \$15, while \$25 is no great price for a church tree. Municipal trees often bring as high as \$30, all depending on distance of shipment and size.

Larch, which is found in abundance in some parts of New Hampshire, is in great demand and this ranks favorably with the southern laurel. It is always marketable and in sections where it is found it has a ready sale at Christmas. Laurel is found profusely in Milford and this week Benjamin F. Foster received a large order for the greenery from Mrs. T. A. Meyersberg, a wealthy society woman of St. Louis. She formerly lived in Milford and introduced the New Hampshire laurel to St. Louis, with the result that many residents there send annually to Mr. Foster for their supplies, preferring it to their native southern laurel.

Women, too, have a part in gathering Christmas greenery, and ferns have a marketable value, many women earning a good livelihood during the late fall and winter gathering the fronds and ferns from the woods. They are secured be-

fore the snowfall is heavy, and are dug up in bundles of from 50 to 100 ferns each. There is great demand for ferns for altar decorations, and this industry has grown astonishingly in the last year or two. Most of the job buyers are in the west the best markets being Chicago, Detroit and other points south of Mason and Dixon's line. A bunch of 100 ferns is worth about 25 cents, and the work of gathering them is easy and pleasant.

The gathering of Christmas greens will continue up to within a day or two of the holidays, or as late as shipment to the various destinations is assured.

FOUNDER OF THE PARKFIELD HOTEL IS DEAD AT DOV. R.

JESSE E. FRISBEE, ONE OF MOST
PROMINENT CITIZENS OF KITTERY,
DIED ON MONDAY
MORNING.

Jesse Edwin Frisbee, for many years one of the well known and prominent citizens of Kittery, died at his home 41 Park street, Dover, on Monday morning, aged 72 years, 8 months and 18 days. He was born in Kittery and attended the public schools until he reached the age of 11 years when he went away to sea as a cook. At the age of 18 he was in command of the "Prairie Queen" and for seven years was engaged in the coasting trade.

At the age of twenty-five he retired from the command of his ship, settled at Kittery Point and for the next twenty-two years was engaged in business, dealing in shipping supplies. He also engaged in a number of other enterprises and in 1887 built the Parkfield Hotel and its nearby cottages. This structure is located on the site owned by Sir William Tuttle, one of the heirs of Londesborough.

On November 27, 1859 Mr. Frisbee married Anna A. Plummer who died in 1902. In 1908 he married again, taking as his bride Miss Lena Bennett of Southampton, England, who survives him.

In politics he was a staunch Republican and served his town as selectman and overseer of the poor for a period of seventeen years, having first been elected in 1875. He was appointed postmaster under the Garfield administration, which position he held for six years. From 1886 until 1891 he served as fish and game warden and in 1884 he was a member of the Maine legislature. He remained a resident of Kittery until a few years ago when he removed to Dover.

In religious matters he was like his father and grandfather, a staunch and active Baptist. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, as result of his first marriage, Mrs. Melvin T. Nelson of Dover and Mrs. Charles E. Phillips of Kittery Point; one sister Mrs. William H. Wilson of North Kittery and ten grandchildren.

He was a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., of Portsmouth and also a member of Sons of the American Revolution. The funeral services will be held from the Free Will Baptist church at Kittery Point Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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ditional in personal taxes will leave the city about \$50,000 shy in revenue with a consequent increase in the tax rate to meet a deficit. No-license leaders say that the loss in fees and taxes from the liquor traffic will be offset by gains in charities and savings.

Haverhill will go into the dry column next May for the first time in seven years and for the ninth time in 35 years. During that time the city has never voted "no" consecutively, so that license advocates look for a return to license next year.

Leaders of the no-license forces predicted a turnover to no-license in advance of the election but it was general street talk that while the license majority would be reduced from 750 to about 350, there would be a safe majority for license. And the final count, "no" majority of 36 was as big a surprise to the no-license leaders as it was a disappointment to the license forces.

Haverhill cast \$100 votes last Tuesday the biggest vote in city history and the increase was nearly all for no-license. It has developed from a survey of the vote that the issue was drawn between "Mayor Bartlett, Alder Harris and West, and license," and "Morse, Root, Hutchins and no-license," the latter forces winning. Their votes can close together. Morse beating Bartlett by 504 votes or by about the same number that no-license increased over last year. Root and Hutchins polled the two highest votes on the aldermanic ticket and West and Harris were together as the low men, indicating that the increase was all for no-license, Morse and the two Good Government League aldermen.

There is a difference of opinion as to the effects of the no-license year. License advocates declare that the loss of \$65,000 in fees and about \$6000 ad-

nervousness are due to the abuse of the digestive apparatus. Rich indigestible foods in large quantities, highly seasoned to stimulate the jaded palate, are forced into a body already rebellious from repetition. Exercise is largely limited to walking to and from the table and bodily deterioration proceeds rapidly. Many an overfed dyspeptic, suddenly dragged by stern hand of circumstance from a life of physical ease and plenty and forced to work out doors suddenly discovers that his semi invalidism has gone, that a chronic skin derangement of many years standing has disappeared and that a new vigor and zest of life has been given him.

Not everyone can spend his whole time in the open air but a certain amount of exercise and plain wholesome food in an amount not exceeding the body's needs can be had by almost everyone. Simple moderate diet and exercise make for health. These are not foolish food theories; they are just plain common sense.

GLOUCESTER MAN BEHEADED BY DERRICK BLOCK

Gloucester, Dec. 11.—One man was killed and two others were injured while at work near a derrick in the blood ledge quarry today. Thomas Erwin, foreman, of 9 Addison avenue, this city, was instantly killed when the block of a derrick fell, beheading him. Augusto Darrusso, who was working nearby, was badly wounded, and, it is feared, is dying at the Gilbert Hospital.

William Taylor, also near at hand, when the accident occurred, was seriously injured.

The authorities arrested him and charged that signs of an operation had been found on her body.

AIR BUBBLE MURDER CHARGE INTERESTING

Medical Men Are Awaiting
Hinterliter Case to Be
Heard in January.

Olney, Ill., Dec. 12.—Medical men are awaiting with interest the trial in January next of Hoy Hinterliter, charged with the murder of Miss Elizabeth Ratcliffe on July 21 last.

The charge brought against Hinterliter involves a unique and startling theory of death. He is accused of causing air bubbles to enter her circulatory system through an operation. The theory has attracted wide attention and hundreds of letters asking for information concerning the case include one received through official channels from the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Medical opinions published throughout the United States scorn the air bubble theory. It is declared it would be impossible for air enough to be forced into the circulatory channels to cause death. Only one before, so far as can be ascertained, has a similar cause for death been assigned. This happened in Tipton, Ind., fifteen years ago, according to Dr. Horace H. Miller, of Indianapolis.

Notwithstanding the skepticism of the medical profession, many facts based at the autopsy over Miss Ratcliffe's body tended to show the theory in her case was correct. Here is what Dr. L. N. Martin, who performed the autopsy, says:

"It is common knowledge among surgeons that in operating in certain regions of the body precautions must be taken against the entrance into certain veins and sinuses of air, causing death by air embolus. When air enters a vein it is carried by the return circulation to the right of the heart into the right auricle, thence to the right ventricle, where it is forced into pulmonary circulation. In the lungs the air forms into emboli, preventing the blood from getting to the left heart and thus arresting the systematic circulation. As a result the brain is deprived of blood and syncope follows, ending in sudden death."

Hinterliter and Miss Ratcliffe had kept company for several months. On the night of her death he called for her in a buggy and they went driving. Three hours later he drove to Olney Sanitarium with her lifeless body. He declared that she had suddenly died while they were driving along a country road. He said that he could not account for her collapse.

The authorities arrested him and charged that signs of an operation had been found on her body.

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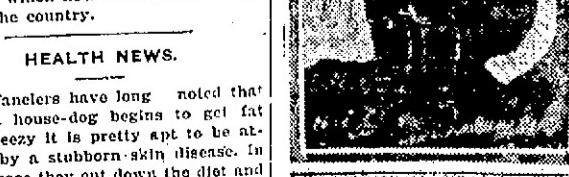
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SOCIAL SERVICE
COMMITTEE WEEK

Make Plans for Improvements
in Several Parts of
the City.

The Social Service committee met Monday afternoon at Mrs. Hull's office in the Court house and owing to the absence of Mr. William J. Hill, Mr. Charles Walker presided.

The opportunities which the city offers for amusement and recreation were discussed and the meeting was an earnest and enthusiastic one. Committees were appointed to investigate opportunities for the enlargement of the playground at the Farragut school, also to take action to procure some indoor place for wholesome amusement during the evenings in the South End district, in short, an attempt to keep children off the streets.

Specific cases which have come under the personal observation of some of the teachers were laid before the meeting and the committees did not need to work on theory.

A large number was present and they agreed to hold their next meeting on January 5. "Relief work" will be the topic.

ILLUSTRATED TALK.

Minta Tenney Peck, who is going to give an illustrated talk at the Ports-

mouth Theatre Wednesday afternoon, will use as her subject "Art in Legend and Story." Her talk is the result of personal study of the pictures, mosaics and legends of the old world. She deals with those fragments of art which served as a source of inspiration to those artists who followed and have been called great. She presents her subject in a fascinating manner which interests her hearers.

CLAIM HE WAS
AMONG THE CREW
OF THE MANCHURIA

Word has reached this city that Ora Gerry was among the crew of the steamship Manchuria, which was recently sunk by a submarine.

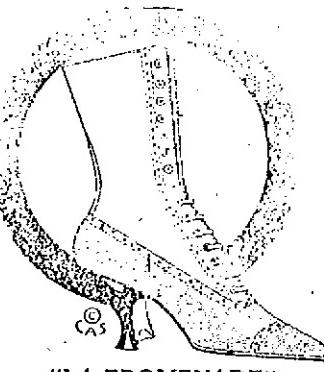
Gerry sailed on Nov. 17 from New York for Liverpool, England, and held the position as mess man in the crew. The crew of this steamship were all reported saved.

Local people claim Gerry to be a resident of Elton but no one in that town or in Kittery could be found who knows the man, although he has acquaintances in this city with whom he corresponded previous to sailing for England.

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EXCITEMENT IN WARD TWO THIS MORNING

Mayor Locks Up Room; Other Officials Smash Lock and Use It.

There was quite a bit of excitement at the voting quarters in Ward 2 this morning brought about by the use of one of the ante rooms by politicians. When the ward room was opened this morning a padlock was found on the door. It later developed on investigation that the lock had been placed there by order of Mayor Ladd who claims it was illegal to use such room in a voting place.

Supt. Hodgdon requested permission to go into the room from Councilman Smart, chairman of the committee on city lands and buildings, and was granted the same. The lock was broken and the room opened again.

Mayor Ladd then appealed to the police department for an officer to guard the room and prevent any one from entering there. Acting Chief of Police Duckett said in his opinion the police had no jurisdiction from the fact that police officers on election day are subject to the orders of a moderator only as far as voting places are concerned. Moderator Butchelder acting under the law directed that Police Officer McLennan on duty remain in the main building where the voting was in progress and act only according to the law covering a police officer's duty on the occasion of election. The room remained open but the mayor put the telephone service out of commission by ordering the instrument disconnected. It is understood that the mayor has stated that he would take further action on Wednesday.

For some time past at previous elections this room has been occupied at intervals by men of both parties and the Republicans claim that Democrats have made use of the room and also the telephone. They also state that there was nothing wrong in the use of the room whatever and that the mayor had no authority to direct the locking up of any part of the building. On the other hand the mayor says that Councilman Smart was exceeding his authority and that somebody will answer for the affair later. The row did not seem to keep anybody from the room and the men moved in and out during the remainder of the day. What will follow remains to be seen.

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That looks like a good vote in Portsmouth today regardless of the weather.

That a boiler and other equipment of machinery and tools arrived today for the Hancock Construction Company, which is engaged in locating a water supply for the paper mill.

That a well known official of one of the Portsmouth banks has been asked to accept a position on the staff of Governor-elect Keyes.

That William Green, one of the best known citizens of the state, completed 22 years as chief engineer of the Concord fire department on Monday.

ATTENTION.

Regular meeting of W. S. Schley Camp, U. S. W. V., Wednesday evening, Dec. 13. Election of officers. A full attendance desired.

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Chester Conklin and All-Star Cast of Favorites in "A Tug Boat Romeo,"

Announcement for Wednesday and Thursday—Marie Doro in "The Heart of Maryland"; Dorothy Bernard in "Sporting Blood"; "Liberty," 7th Episode. Friday and Saturday—Bessie Bariscale in "Plain Jane," Thomas Ince-Triangle K. B.

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INTEREST IN LIQUOR VOTE

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Decide Question at
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Fish of all kinds at Clark's Branch
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Delegations from Strawberry Bank Grange went to Manchester today to be present at the State meeting.

Friday is the last day for Pony votes—make your holiday purchases Thursday for double votes. A. W. Wendell & Co.

Have you anything for the Y. M. C. A. Rummage sale? If so, telephone 2233-W.

The weather today is not conducive to getting out a large vote, but nevertheless the ward workers are on their job just the same.

Buy your lobsters, fresh and salt fish of all kinds from the Portsmouth Fish Co., Broughton's Wharf. Tel. 280. Auto delivery.

Do not forget the plays at the Portsmouth Theatre tonight to be given by the Silvermont Dramatic Club. Reserved seats \$5 and 50 cents.

Some ticket purchaser will be presented with the chest of silver on display in F. W. Remick's window at the Poultry Show this week.

The newly equipped trolley cars are most attractive. Now it is up to the public to help keep them so and the employees can also assist.

Don't fail to see the motion pictures taken by the government and which will be displayed at the Poultry Show, Dec. 13 to 16.

On Wednesday evening the members of Crystal Temple, Pythian Sisters, observe their ninth anniversary with an entertainment and supper.

Sheehan's Dancing School, Moose Club Hall, High street, Thursday night.

STAR ISLAND-ISLES OF SHOALS
—IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED.

The Star Island Corporation held a meeting in Boston on Monday afternoon which was attended by the local director, P. Curtis Matthews. The board voted to install new plumbing.

It was also voted to secure a new water supply either by artesian wells or to condense salt water.

ATTENTION.

TOWN'S SALOON EARN'S
MONEY FOR NEW ROADS

Martinez, Cal., Dec. 12.—From the year's profits of a municipal saloon in Bay Point the citizens of that town have started street improvement work to the extent of \$3,000. The saloon, which was opened two years ago by a lumber company owning the town site, a year ago was given to the citizens, with the provision that they should manage the bar. The entire proceeds go into street improvements.

STRATHAM REPRESENTATIVE
WILL BE THE HOST

Representative-elect Joseph G.

Burford of Stratham gives an oyster supper at the town hall on Thursday evening of this week. The program of the evening will consist of speaking, among the speakers being Judge Calvin Page of Portsmouth, senator-elect, who delivers the principal address.

ATTENTION.

AUCTION

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Thursday, Dec. 14, 1916,

At 147 State Street.

Consisting of parlor, dining room and chamber furnishings, pictures and bric-a-brac. All goods must be paid for and removed from premises on day of sale. Salads start at 10 o'clock.

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WHO DELIVERS THE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS.

ATTENTION.

FRED GARDNER

ATTENTION.



TOGGERY THOUGHTS

With Christmas only two weeks away the thoughts of many are turned toward the annual holiday question: "What shall I give him?" Let us answer. Something from our immense display of smart toggery for men. In neckties as usual at this season we offer hundreds of dozens for your selection ranging in price from a quarter to two-fifty each. A truly dazzling display of silk, Correspondingly attractive displays of gloves, shirts, socks and mufflers.

Henry Peyser & Son

"Selling the Tops of the Period."

Dr. E. S. Cowles Selected for
Important Post.

Dr. E. S. Cowles, who has conducted a sanitarium in this city for a number of years is shortly to remove to New York to take over a large hospital for the treatment of nervous diseases. Dr. Cowles has attracted patients from all over the country to his sanitarium in this city and he has given employment to a large staff of people and has effected many cures. He has treated many well known persons and has been prominent all over the country.

NOTICE.

Members of Union Itekah Lodge, No. 3, who are to go to Dover, Wednesday evening, will meet at Odd Fellows Hall at 8.15, if pleasant.

Per order,

ESTELLE VAIRELLI, Noble Grand.
LIZZIE H. ANDERSON, Secy.

CHRISTMAS SALE.

At M. E. vestry, Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 13 and 14, quilts, aprons, bags of all kinds, gifts for baby's wardrobe, dolls, fancy work, etc. Admission free in afternoon, 10 cents in evening, drama and musical entertainment, different each night.

CHRISTMAS SALE.

Hand embroidered fancy articles and Xmas Novelties at 10 New Castle ave., cor. South St. Dec. 12th to 25th. Orders taken for all kinds of embroidery. Mrs. Ethel Seavey Hill. Phone 933-L.

NEW CASTLE.

The Ladies' Industrial Circle will hold a sale of aprons and fancy work, cooked food and ice cream, at their room the evening of Dec. 13, beginning at 7 o'clock.

The gift that arouses immediate interest on Christmas morning—and sustains that interest through all the days to come.

ALKON'S XMAS SALE

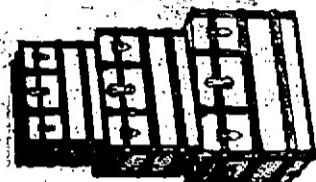
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OUR LARGE STOCK OF GOODS WILL BE READY FOR EARLY XMAS SHOPPERS. WE HAVE ON DISPLAY THE LARGEST LINE OF CUT GLASS, FANCY CHINA, DINNER SETS, DOLLS, TOYS, SLEDS, ETC., THAN EVER BEFORE. WE WERE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO GET IN A LARGE STOCK BEFORE THE PRICES ADVANCED, AND BELIEVE IN GIVING THE PUBLIC THE BENEFIT, HENCE THE LOW PRICES QUOTED BELOW.

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Toy Tables.... 25c to \$1.00

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Wooden Anagrams and blocks each 4 in. long, regular price \$1.00 only 69c box

Extra fine Desks with Blackboards combined, worth \$2; for only \$1.25



Large variety of doll carriages and go-carts from 50c to \$6.50



Quartered Oak Desks and Blackboard, with chair, for only \$3.00

Tool Chests.... 75c to \$1.25

4-pc. Toy Furniture consisting of table, settle, arm chair and rocking chair, only... 50c set

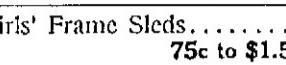
Brass Beds \$1.00

White Enamel Beds... \$1.00

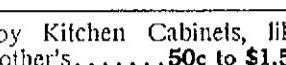
Pianos 25c to \$1.00



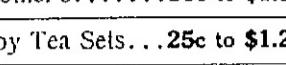
35-in. Flexible Flyers, regular price \$2.00; now \$1.49



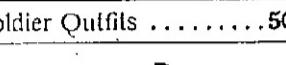
Girls' Frame Sleds..... 75c to \$1.50



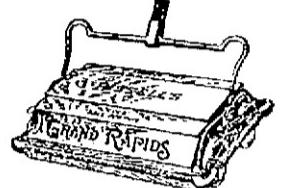
Toy Kitchen Cabinets, like mother's..... 50c to \$1.50



Toy Tea Sets... 25c to \$1.25



Soldier Outfits 50c



1-Lot Extra Fine Carpet Sweepers; will make a useful Xmas gift; worth \$2.50; for only \$1.50

Aluminum Tea Kettle, would make a useful Xmas gift, for only \$2.50

Aluminum Percolators, another useful gift, only.. \$1.75

A large assortment of Pyrex Glass Cooking Ware, plain and cut, from 75c to \$3.50 ea.

7-pc. Cut Glass Water Sets with grape design, Worth \$2; at only \$1.25 set

7-pc. Cut Glass Water Set with floral cutting. \$2.00 set

Cut Glass Sugars and Creamers \$1.00

Cut Glass Bud Vases.... 25c

All goods bought of us to be shipped out of town will be packed and insured against loss and breakage, free of charge.

A FEW HINTS

to the man who does not know what to give his wife for Xmas—

A nice Chafing Dish.

Coffee Percolator.

Bread Raiser.

Dinner Set.

A fine Serving Tray.

We have the largest stock of Cut Glass at the most reasonable prices in town. It would be impossible to give you a description of all the lovely pieces in our stock. We only mention a few specials.

A special bargain for the early shoppers—Cut Glass Handled Bon Bon Dishes, regular price 50c; for 25c each

7-pc. Cut Glass Ice Cream Sets, worth \$4; for.... \$2.50

8-in. Floral Design, Cut Glass Dish, worth \$2.50 only \$1.50

Cut Glass Marmalade Jars like cut with silver plated spoon and cover, the biggest value ever offered; while they last, only 50c

Cut Glass Bud Vases.... 25c

6-in. Cut Glass Vase, an extra special at only 35c

A large assortment of Cut Glass Vases from 35c to \$6.50

Cut Glass Cracker and Cheese Dishes \$1.50

Cut Glass Sandwich Trays, at only \$1.50

Cut Glass Iced Tea Sets, consisting of covered glass pitcher and 6 handled glasses to match, only.... \$3.50 per set

A large variety of Cut Glass Tumblers \$1.50 doz.

Mahogany Nut Bowl with nut cracker and 6 nut picks, worth \$2.00; for \$1.50 set

Mahogany Candle Sticks, 59c

Pie Plates in nickel frames, only \$1.50

A large assortment of Dinner Sets, from \$12.50 to \$125.00

Wooden Serving Trays with glass covered bottoms: \$1.25

3-Bottle Castor, worth 50c, only 29c

Royal Rochester Chafing Dish \$5.50 to \$8.00



100 Brown, white lined Casseroles in nickel frames, worth \$1.75; while they last. \$1.00

White Casserole and Plate, with silver deposit design on cover and plate. \$1.50

A large variety of Casseroles from \$1.00 to \$6.50

Mahogany Smoking Stand, for \$1.25

7-pc. Glass Coaster Sets, consisting of tray and 6 coasters, worth \$1.00; only..... 49c

15-pc. Hand Decorated Lunch Sets, 6 cups and saucers, 6 plates, sugar and cream and tea pot \$6.50

7-pc. Decorated Ice Cream Sets \$1.00

A large assortment of Chocolate Sets. \$3.00 to \$8.00

3-pc. Hand Painted Whipped Cream Sets \$1.00

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7-pc. Hand Painted Celery Sets \$1.00 to \$4.00

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**BUREAU OF MINES
IS MANUFACTURING
RADIUM SUPPLY**

methods of drilling oil wells. In the Blackwell field of Oklahoma, there has been saved more than \$20,000,000 worth of natural gas. The plan of drilling included the use of a mud that seals off the natural gas and confined it in its original reservoir until market conditions justify its production. Operators in Kansas and other states are now following the plan of the Bureau of Mines.

The report also states that through experiments with the Rittman furnace, in the new process for making gasoline, it is possible to make from the waste gas oil of California, worth two cents a gallon, gasoline at a cost of six cents a gallon. It further states that "As a result of the work of the petroleum division, the Rittman cracking process for the manufacture of gasoline from kerosene or any other available fraction of petroleum is now a commercial success, and the Bureau of Mines is able to give to the public a commercial cracking process, free of royalty, which will make available for internal-combustion engines large quantities of otherwise unavailable fractions of petroleum."

According to Director Manning, the Bureau of Mines, acting in a consulting engineer capacity to the other Federal bureaus in the District of Columbia in the purchase and use of coal, has saved for the government \$50,000, and that if its efforts were extended to include the entire government service, the saving would conservatively be more than \$375,000 annually. It is also suggested that the entire country could save millions of dollars by similar expert services.

The Bureau during the last year has supplied engineers throughout the country with information that will enable them to design furnaces in a rational manner according to the character of the fuel to be used, resulting in great economies. Heretofore, it is claimed, furnace design has been largely a matter of cut and try, resulting in many uneconomical methods and in the production of "objectionable smoke."

The studies during the past year in having metal wastes in brass melting," says Director Manning, "have resulted

in the introduction of the Bureau's

LITTLE TALKS ON THRIFT

By S. W. STRAUS
President American Society for Thrift



Large industrial concerns are doing more and more to encourage habits of thrift among their employees. They have found that the man who is thrifty is, as a rule, the best workman. His habits are steadier, he has greater freedom from worry, and he is more to be depended upon than the man who is constantly hard up and in mental distress because of improvident habits.

Four years ago a certain American manufacturing concern encouraged its employees to pool their savings in a building and loan plan. As a result these factory men have laid aside \$400,000 during the period and more than 160 homes have been built with the savings. What a tribute to the great virtue of thrift!

Another concern, which is located in Chicago, recently inaugurated a profit-sharing plan that will provide a permanent pension to those employees who continue in faithful employment. Five per cent of the annual profits of the concern is to be distributed among the employees who participate in the

plan, and when it is understood that in normal times the metal losses in brass melting probably amount to as much as \$2,000,000 per year and that in the past year of large production and high metal prices this loss has been probably nearer \$10,000,000.

In the interest of greater safety in the mines, the Bureau has during the year approved seven types of electric miners' lamps, and these are rapidly replacing the dangerous open-flame lamp that in the past has caused so

many serious explosions with great loss of life. The new electric lamps are being introduced at the rate of 100,000 a year.

The report endeavors to show that the great iron mines in northern Minnesota are now being operated by coal transported a thousand or more miles, may in the future obtain all the power they need from the peat bogs near the mines.

Under the Kent bill the Government is to be pledged to appropriate 75 cents a day for the care of a tuberculosis patient who is forced to leave home in search of health. It also obligates the State or community to which the patient removes to pay a like sum for his support.

The argument of the charity workers is that scarcely a victim of tuberculosis could afford to move to Colorado or some sister mountain state in face of a public guarantee of \$1.50 a day and nothing to do but get well. When the Kent bill, which is before Congress and nothing to do but pass, is passed, the Government will cease the dumping ground of the poor and ailing from all over the country. The Kent bill will become a public charge solely on the state.

For say itching skin trouble, piles, eczema, salt rheum, hives, itch, scald head, herpes, scabies, Doan's Ointment is highly recommended. 50c a box at all stores.

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SALARY INCREASE ASKED BY TEACHERS

Petition, Showing that Many Are Not Receiving Fair Pay, Was Presented at Board Meeting—
400 Pupils Absent Because of Measles

The Portsmouth Teachers' Association presented a petition to the Board of Instruction at the regular meeting held last evening at City Hall, in which they ask an increase of salaries. In connection with the petition several individual expense accounts were presented which showed in many of the cases that the teachers were receiving a salary which nearly failed to meet their living expenses. The petition was accepted by the board and a vote it was referred to the finance committee to be reported for discussion and action at the next meeting. Interviews secured after the meeting many of the members of the board are satisfied that the teachers are not receiving sufficient pay for their services under the present abnormal conditions. With increased cost of living and the general increase of salaries in nearly every occupation, the teachers of this city have received no increase since 1911 in the elementary grades when the salaries were increased to \$59, \$5 less than the amount received by city laborers. The meeting was unable to formulate any plan at this meeting for the correction of the salary lists and the plan for referring it to the finance committee for special investigation will likely bring the true conditions to the attention of the board, when some action can be taken.

The meeting was presided over by George W. McCarthy, elected temporary chairman in the absence of the mayor. The members present were Messrs. Gooding, Mitchell, Hodgdon, Page, Thayer, Towle, Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Benfield.

The reports of the several committees were received and accepted and bills for the past month approved and ordered paid. The report of Superintendent Pringle showed that at present there were about 400 pupils absent from the schools and that in most cases this was caused by measles. The greater number of these cases are among the elementary pupils and very few cases have been reported in the Whipple or High School. In connection with this a communication from the Board of Health was received which stated that after careful consideration the Board felt that at this time there was no advantage in following the usual restrictions in contagious diseases and recommended that they be suspended. This will allow the returning to the schools of pupils who have been ill with measles without examination, but all cases are to be reported to the schools. The communication was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

The Superintendent was given authority to have announced in the schools the dates of free educational lectures which are conducted by the teachers' association. Mr. Whittier, instructor in music, was granted an extension of his leave of absence for the remainder of the year and a substitute instructor will be elected at the next meeting. The full petition of the Portsmouth Teachers' Association follows:

To the Honorable Board of Instruction of the City of Portsmouth, in the State of New Hampshire:

A PETITION.

Your Honor, Honorable Members of the Board of Instruction,

Ladies and Gentlemen—

The question of salaries paid teachers in this city was proposed to the Executive Committee of the Teachers' Association by members of the corps. The Executive Committee proceeded to a careful investigation to determine actual facts. The evidence gathered was considered sufficient to warrant presenting to you this petition for increasing the salary of each teacher employed by this city. Our petition is upheld by sixty signatures. We will describe to you: first, why our salaries are inadequate to meet legitimate demands upon them under normal conditions; second, the greatly diminished purchasing power of our salaries because of the sharp increase in the cost

of living which has taken place since your salary schedule was adopted for the grades, in the last three years, during the last year, and since the beginning of the school year this September, thirdly, the results of these conditions; finally, a suggested remedy for the situation. In addition we submit supplementary statistics to support our statements.

Why Our Salaries are Inadequate to Meet Legitimate Demands Upon Them Under Normal Conditions.

The Executive Committee by its investigation has ascertained (1) that the present salaries of your teachers are barely sufficient to meet necessary living expenses in the City of Portsmouth; (2) that they are quite inadequate to permit the teachers to maintain the standard of living that is expected of them; (3) that they allow the teachers no opportunity to provide against future exigencies, to provide properly for those entirely or partly dependent upon them.

Portsmouth Teachers' Salaries Barely Sufficient to Meet Necessary Living Expenses.

Your teachers' salaries are adequate, but barely so, in one respect. They will buy the day-to-day necessities. It is a common observation that bare living expenses in the items of room, rent, board, food, and clothing, are by no means lower in the City of Portsmouth than they are elsewhere. In fact, there is a well-grounded belief prevailing among our citizens that they are in certain respects higher here. It should be noted, in this connection, that in localities where living expenses are high, wages and salaries tend to become proportionately high. Witness the well-paid employees of the local navy yard and the skilled laborers in one of the largest manufacturing plants of this city whose income per year at the beginning exceeds by \$129 the maximum income obtainable by your grade teachers, after several years of service under the present salary schedule. Had carriers at this factory received wages which exceed by nearly \$100 the average salary paid teachers at the high school including the headmaster's salary and allowing 50 days for the carriers to be out of work.

Such high wages go hand in hand with high prices in any locality. Salaries are much slower to increase than either prices or wages. For this reason, as stated in a recent report of the National Education Association, "The salaried employee is always at a disadvantage at periods of prosperity and high prices. The salaried employee with a stationary income must not only pay the higher prices, but he, almost of necessity, follows his neighbor with an increased income from the prosperous times, in an indulgence in larger expenditures. Salaried employees must live according to the standard of those around them, and this is especially true of teachers." Portsmouth teachers are by no means exempt from this necessity and their present salaries barely suffice to enable them to meet necessary living expenses.

Present Salaries Quite Inadequate to Permit the Teachers to Maintain the Standard of Living Which is Expected of Them.

Our salaries enable us to live from day to day, after a fashion. They are quite insufficient to meet expenses peculiar to the profession which are necessary to enable us to maintain the standard of living which is generally accepted as adequate among the group of people with whom, as teachers, we are compelled to associate.

Practically all our social life is in the public eye. This fact, coupled with the fact that it is imperative for us to maintain a daily, uniformly neat appearance before our pupils, makes our legitimate expense for clothes necessarily much greater than that of the average low-paid worker.

There is a constant drain upon our

purses for the support of enterprises directly connected with our school work. Such are: Christmas entertainments, parents' meetings, mothers' meetings, tickets to school entertainments, plays, debates, dues to school papers, fees to school institutes, and the State Teachers' Association. This last item alone means a minimum expense of \$5 per teacher in years when the meetings are held in another city. Moreover, we are expected to give liberally for charity and church expenses. All these items of outlay each year make an imposing sum. We gladly contribute to these laudable enterprises when our financial condition will permit.

In order to keep abreast of the times educationally it is imperative for the teacher to read the best educational magazines, magazines in his particular line of endeavor, which are not provided in the library. There are professional books which we must read if we wish to profit by the latest and keenest thought along educational lines. Few of us can avail ourselves of the advantage of summer study or benefit by the broadening influences of travel and observation. Many cities encourage their teachers to take summer courses of study for progress made. If Portsmouth were to include some such arrangement in the salary schedule the city would be greatly repaid in quickened enthusiasm and greater efficiency of the teachers. As it is, our salaries will not permit us to improve ourselves in this way.

Retention is a peculiar need of all teachers. The arduous nature of teaching is well-known. "No other vocation so strips the vitality and sends the worker home at night body-tired, heart sore and brain-weary." Your teachers' work-day ends but at the moment she awakes in the morning in the class room, where she receives the reactions from many pupils there is a constant strain upon her nervous energy. And at the end of the session there is always more work to do in preparation for the next day. It is a well-known fact that while insurance companies are willing to insure teachers for life, they unanimously consider teachers a bad risk when it comes to insurance against sickness, because of the large percentage of nervous breakdowns among this class of workers. Portsmouth teachers need retention as well as others do. The Executive Committee has found that your teachers are not paid enough to permit them to keep up the standard expense of them and to get this necessary retention. Yet, "The same standard of life is expected—in spite of the failure of standards and salaries to rise in the ratio," (pp. 31-32, N. E. A.)

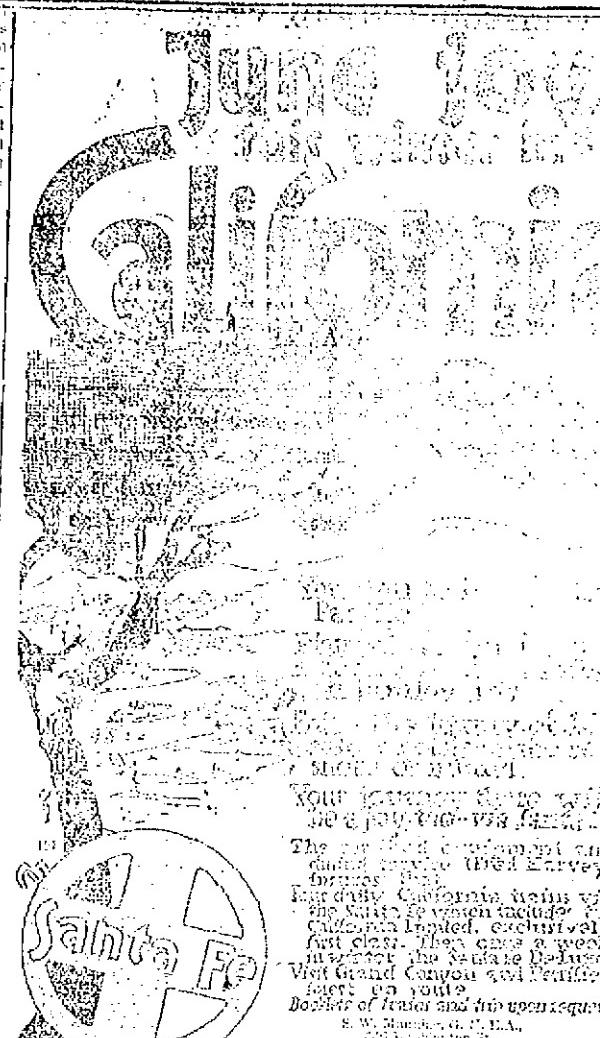
Present Salaries Allow No Opportunity to Make Provision for Future Exigencies, to Provide Properly for Those Entirely or Partly Dependent Upon Them.

Let us consider now the chance a Portsmouth teacher has of providing for sickness or old age or for dependents. The Committee found that one of your teachers after 14 years of service has a bank account of \$1. This teacher has in addition to her personal living expenses a mother and sister to provide for. Her salary is \$59. Her personal expenses are about \$700 for the school year, and there is the sum of \$100 to be considered. Another one of your teachers whose salary is \$700 has a bank account after 18 years of service for Portsmouth. Another is taking care of a brother and is helping other brothers and sisters. One teacher tries to maintain the standard of living demanded of her and at the same time support a family of four adults. She can save nothing against the future and a small bank account is steadily diminishing. A teacher receiving \$50 has to receive help from home. How much a girl whose parents have supported her for twenty odd years and have educated her, presumably for her support, feel to be compelled to receive help will soon come! Ladies and gentlemen, these are but a few of numerous deplorable conditions among your teachers.

It is noted here that we have discovered the salaries paid Portsmouth teachers to be inadequate to meet these legitimate demands under normal conditions. We will now speak of the recent sharp increase in the cost of living.

Greatly Diminished Purchasing Power of our Salaries Because of the Increases in the Cost of Living Since the Salary Schedule was Adopted.

Not only are our present salaries inadequate to meet legitimate demands upon them under normal conditions, they have further greatly diminished in purchasing power in the last three years, the last year, and even since school began this September. Every teacher of me feels either directly or indirectly the effects of the rise in the price of foods. Figures compiled by the National Bureau of Labor Statistics 12 days ago show that retail prices of foods in the United States as a whole advanced 3 per cent from September 15 to October 15, making a 16 per cent increase for twelve months. The Boston Statistical organization of Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts, state in its "Barometer Letter" of November 11, 1916, "the average cost of the basic necessities of living is now fully 10 per cent higher than it was three years past, or, a rate which has not been known since the Civil War. If the cost of living continues to rise as it is at the present time, the buying power of the majority as \$2,000 at time of sale, balance on delivery of goods."



Let us examine what an increase of 10 per cent in the average cost of the professor of Education, "The central largest necessities of living means, reflected in any school system is the teacher's salaries. It means just this, that is, and the only way to get the right purchasing power of each dollar of food is to pay enough." It is a matter of record that the changes in the teacher's salaries have declined to nearly 70 percent of the original. The maximum amount of the Portsmouth's needs as salary paid your grade teachers, mean income and growth. This is evident in terms of purchasing power is true of the High School where the total cost for \$615.50, there is \$887.00 in salary schedule. Moreover, your work, taking into consideration that teachers salary has to be divided in the course of summer study, as allowed over 52 weeks in the year. The result indicated, because of the high wheat which are paying \$590 is reflected on the salaries. By receiving only \$30.00 that is about 50 percent less. We will now speak of the desired results for the area for in which we live.

The women teachers who have taught for several years in the High School are receiving \$598. To put the matter in a different light, the teacher who now receives the nominal sum of \$598 needs an increase of \$285 in order to keep up with the increase of the past three years and since the grade teaching power as compared with a teacher's schedule was adopted in the year ago is \$588. We find confusion of the bare necessities of life. Household ladies and gentlemen that who now receive the nominal sum of \$598 needs an increase of \$285 just to keep them in condition which through up and then she has to receive help from her husband in order to make both ends meet. The teacher receiving the nominal amount of \$598 needs an increase of \$285 to be really needed and the purchasing power as compared with 5 years ago. The average income is continually necessary in order to make your teacher's salary equal. In our hospital we are receiving a yearly salary of less than \$500 an increase of \$150 in yearly salary and to each teacher may receiving over an increase of \$100 in yearly salary and secondly, we request that you grant these increases to become effective on the first day of January 1917.

We respectfully beg to call your attention to the fact that we have not informed any one about the citizens in behalf of our cause and we know the citizens in other towns and cities who have asked and received substantial increases from us. We have spoken to word in the local press. We have kept silent in this matter until you should have had an opportunity to discuss it with your employer by this city and now receiving a yearly salary of less than \$500 an increase of \$150 in yearly salary and to each teacher may receiving over an increase of \$100 in yearly salary and secondly, we request that you grant these increases to become effective on the first day of January 1917.

The results of these conditions are fairly obvious. It is a fact that most of your teachers are finding it difficult to cover their own financials, in the end of the year, not to speak of having anything left to tide them over the summer. The constant oppression and exertion every cannot help but impede the teacher's efficiency and the children are the direct losers thereby. There is nothing more disastrous to the efficiency of a school system than frequent changes in the teaching force.

We come to our third point.

Results of the Inadequacy of Portsmouth Teachers Salaries to Enable Them to Maintain the Standard Expected of Them and of the Diminished Purchasing Power of Their Salaries.

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By THOMAS COFFIN, Auctioneer.

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Thursday, Dec. 14, 11 a. m.

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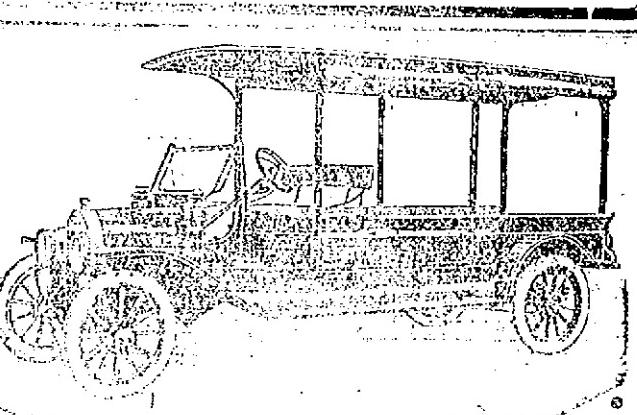
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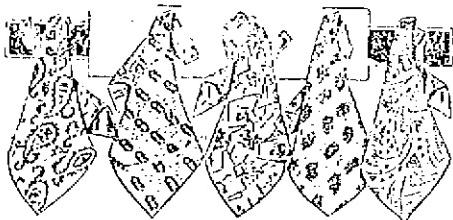
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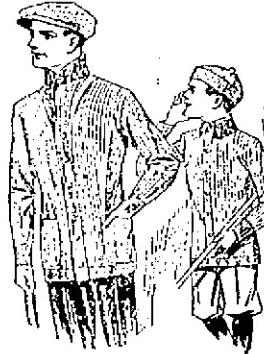
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A wonderful big assortment of attractive ties, some holiday boxed..... 25c, 50c, \$1.00



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| Hosiery, some fancy boxed..... | 15c to \$1.00 |
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| Suspenders..... | 25c to \$1.00 |
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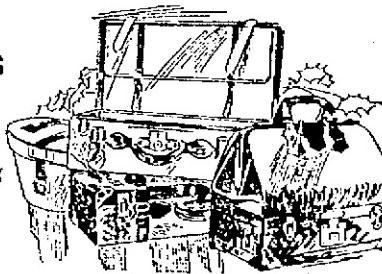
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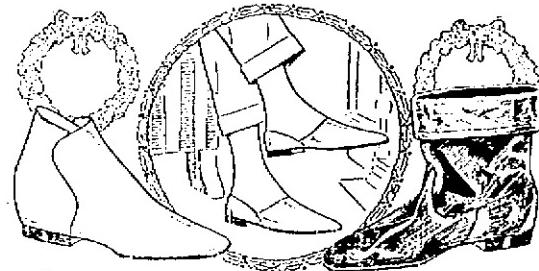


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FRIGHTFUL LOSSES IN CARSO PLATEAU BATTLE

Zurich, Dec. 12.—A thrilling description of the recent terrific battle on the Carso Plateau from the pen of Joseph Pogany, a war correspondent who viewed the gigantic struggle from the most advanced Austro-Hungarian positions has just been published here.

"The eighth battle on the Isonzo was the culmination of the Italian campaign," says Pogany. "I have spent nine months on this front and witnessed the awful struggles around Dubrovo and Gorizia, but the hell of the Carso Plateau surpassed all horrors I had seen before. The Italian attacks in this latest and greatest battle were of almost incredible ferocity and the heroism displayed by both sides will live forever in history."

"The new Italian offensive was well planned and carried out with great skill and energy. On the comparatively short front of six miles General Count Cadorna threw no less than 200,000 men into battle, or 100,000 men more than he used in his September drive on a front of ten miles. Two full corps of infantry, the Fourteenth and the Twenty-fourth, attacked on a front of only three and one-half miles, together with corps of dismounted cavalry, while at the same time eight regiments stormed forward against Hill 144."

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